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SENATE BILL

No. 290

Introduced by Senators Knight and Walters
(Coauthors: Senators Anderson, Correa, Fuller, and Wolk)
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Bonilla and Beth Gaines)

February 14, 2013

An act to amend Section 68075.5 of the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 290, as amended, Knight. Nonresident tuition exemption: veterans.

Existing law establishes the segments of the public postsecondary education system in the state, including the University of California administered by the Regents of the University of California, the California State University administered by the Trustees of the California State University, and the California Community Colleges administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

Existing law exempts a community college student who was a member of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed in this state on active duty for more than one year immediately prior to being discharged from paying nonresident tuition for up to one year if he or she files an affidavit with the community college stating that he or she intends to establish residency in California as soon as possible, if that student uses this exemption within 2 years of being discharged. Existing law prohibits a former member of the Armed Forces who received a dishonorable or bad conduct discharge from receiving this exemption.

This bill would make this one-year exemption from payment of nonresident tuition applicable to a student enrolled, or intending to enroll, at a campus of the California Community Colleges, *or as an undergraduate at a campus of the* California State University; *or the* University of California, who was a member of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed in this state on active duty for more than one year immediately prior to being discharged if he or she files an affidavit with the institution at which he or she is enrolled, or intends to enroll, stating that he or she intends to establish residency in California as soon as possible, and uses this exemption within 2 years of being discharged.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 68075.5 of the Education Code is
2 amended to read:
3 68075.5. (a) Except as provided for in subdivisions (b) and
4 (c), a student who was a member of the Armed Forces of the United
5 States stationed in this state on active duty for more than one year
6 immediately prior to being discharged shall be exempt from paying
7 nonresident tuition for the length of time he or she lives in this
8 state after being discharged up to the minimum time necessary to
9 become a resident.
10 (b) (1) Except as provided for in subdivision (c), a student
11 enrolled, or intending to enroll, at a campus of the California
12 Community Colleges, *or as an undergraduate at a campus of the*
13 California State University; *or the* University of California, who
14 was a member of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed
15 in this state on active duty for more than one year immediately
16 prior to being discharged shall be exempt from paying nonresident
17 tuition for up to one year if he or she files an affidavit with the
18 institution at which he or she is enrolled, or intends to enroll, stating
19 that he or she intends to establish residency in California as soon
20 as possible.
21 (2) The one-year exemption provided in paragraph (1) shall be
22 used by the student within two years of being discharged.

1 (c) A former member of the Armed Forces of the United States
2 who received a dishonorable or bad conduct discharge shall not
3 be eligible for an exemption pursuant to this section.

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